Our Father . . . . .

V. Send forth thy Spirit, and the world will arise anew.
R. And the countenance of the earth shall be renewed.
V. The Lord shall give goodness.
R. And the earth shall yield her fruit.
V. O Lord, hear my prayer.
R. And let my cry come unto you.
V. The Lord be with you.
R. And with your spirit.

Let us pray:

Thy kindness, O Almighty God, we humbly implore, that thou wouldst shower thy blessing ✠ upon these fields (acres, meadows, and pastures), which thou hast nurtured with favorable weather. Grant to thy people a sense of constant gratitude for thy gifts. Destroy any infertility in the land, thus filling the hungry with an affluence of good things, so that the poor and the needy may praise thy wondrous name for all time and eternity. R. Amen.

(92) BLESSING OF A STABLE
(For horses, cattle, etc.)

Let us pray:

O Lord God Almighty, Who didst will that thy only-begotten Son, our Lord be born in a stable, and lie in a manger between two animals, bless ✠ this stable, we pray, and guard it from the spite and deceit of the devil. Make it a safe shelter for (horses, cattle, swine, etc.). And as the ox knows his master and the ass the manger of his lord, so grant that thy servants, who are made to thine image and closely resemble the angels, and to whom thou hast subjected all the sheep, and the oxen, and the cattle of the pastures, be not like unto senseless beasts, the horse or the mule in whom there is no understanding. But let them acknowledge thee alone as God and the author of all good. May they faithfully persevere in thy service, show thee gratitude for favors received, and thus merit greater benefits in future. Through the same Christ our Lord. R. Amen.